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RESPONSE

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2005.

In response to the requirement to elect one of the alleged following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention identified as Group 1a, claims 1 - 14; Group 1b, claims 15 - 19; and Group 1c, claims 20 - 21; even though the Examiner contends that no claim is generic, it is apparent that the identified species are directed to the same invention and should be considered together. However, in order to provide a complete response to the election requirement, applicants elect the species identified as Group 1a, including claims 1 - 14, for further prosecution in this application at this time.

Favorable consideration of all claims in this application is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 501.43299X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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